

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: HOWLAND, Charles A. Group Art Unit: 1771  
Serial No. 09/943,749 Examiner: Pierce, Jeremy R.  
Filed: August 30, 2001 Dkt No: W0490/7031

For: METHODS OF IMPROVING THE DYABILITY AND PUNCTURE RESISTANCE OF FABRICS COMPRISING HIGH TENACITY FIBERS AND FABRICS PRODUCED BY SUCH METHODS

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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

**OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE**  
**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.115**

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be entered in the above cited case in response to the Office's Final Office Action dated January 23, 2003. Submitted herewith are 9 pages of Amendments and Remarks.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500323 AUTHORIZATION - All necessary fees relating to the attached submittal, if any, are intended to be included. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the fees relating to the submittal to deposit account 500323, registered to Vernon C. Maine P.L.L.C., dba Maine & Asmus, contact telephone no. 603-886-6100.

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